

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 12 and 17 are amended.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Pokrzywa in the November 2, 2005 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

Claims 1-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Yatsunami, U.S. Patent No. 5,323,451. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Yatsunami fails to disclose a communication terminal apparatus with an input device that allows an operator to select a geographical division and a control device that customizes the second memory on the basis of parameters for a selected geographical division selected by the operator, the parameters for the selected geographical division being read from the first memory, as recited in claim 1 and as similarly recited in claim 12.

Yatsunami also fails to disclose a communication terminal apparatus with a selector device that allows an operator to select a selected specification from a first specification storing device, and a control device that performs a control such that a main program starts, if a determining device determines that a specification stored in a second specification storing device is a predetermined specification, as recited in claim 7 and as similarly recited in claim 17.

Yatsunami fails to disclose all of the features recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17 because Yatsunami only allows a ringing signal processing system 400 to select parameters that may be stored in a memory. Yatsunami discloses a ringing signal processing system 40 where a main controller 29 enters into a characteristic setting mode in order to determine whether an output of an NCU 2 includes a ringing signal (col. 12, lines 51-55). If the output of the NCU 2 includes a ringing signal, the main controller 29 activates a ringing signal detecting

circuit 5 and a characteristic determinator 6 (col. 12, lines 55-58). The ringing signal detecting circuit 5 and the characteristic determinator 6 determines characteristics (frequency, duration, reset period) that are specific to the ringing signal and supplies the characteristics to a comparator 30 (col. 12, lines 61-65). The main controller 29 then sequentially reads N match patterns stored in the data-fixed memory 271 (in which match patterns of each country are previously stored at the production stage (col. 12, line 21-24)) and supplies the patterns to the comparator 30 (col. 12, line 65-col. 13, line 3). If a pattern from the data-fixed memory 271 matches the characteristics supplied by the characteristic determinator 6, the main controller 29 stores the number n of this matching match pattern in a match pattern setting number storage region of the memory 27 (col. 13, lines 17-22). Accordingly, the characteristics of ringing signals for individual destinations do not have to be set at the production stage (col. 4, lines 18-37 and col. 4, lines 67-col. 5, line 18).

As agreed during the personal interview, Yatsunami fails to provide any disclosure with regard to allowing an operator to select a geographical division or a specification. Yatsunami instead only allows the ringing signal processing system 400 to possibly store characteristics of a ringing signal from the data-fixed memory 271 in another memory based on characteristics of a presently determined ringing signal. Accordingly, Yatsunami fails to disclose all of the features recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17.

Yatsunami also suffers deficiencies that the combination of features recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17 overcomes. For example, the system provided by Yatsunami (where characteristics of a ringing signal are determined) is complicated compared to the system provided by the combination of features in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17 (where an operator selects a geographical division or specification).

In view of the foregoing, Yatsunami fails to disclose all of the features recited in claims 1, 7, 12 and 17, as well as the additional features recited in their dependent claims. It is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-24 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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